

POPPLETON HISTORIC STUDY

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MAG#0424275604

<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Address</u>
155	85-74	1102-1124 Sarah Ann Street

Approximate age

1800-1845

1845-1860

1865-1880

1880-1896

1896-on

The whole terrace was built between 1869 and 1876.

Rating

Architectural

Condition

A	Significant-save	good	fair	poor	bad
B	Quality-Indiv./groups-save	good	fair	poor	bad
C	Important to street/groups	good	fair	poor	bad
D	Insignificant/detrimental	good	fair	poor	bad

Notable features:

Originally called "Harmony Lane," this minor street had become Sarah Ann Street by 1886, the latter being the name of the same lane across Fremont Street to the east. Superficially, these tiny houses appear to be in good condition. They are painted bright colors and some have their original 6/6 windows. They should be rehabilitated and their tenants left in residence, for many are older people for whom the street and these houses have long been home. Alternate housing should be found for tenants with families too large for the houses.

Environmental context: Lot at 1124 has been cleared; there are no vacant houses. The row retains a quiet, traditional back-street atmosphere. Park facilities for passive recreation are needed for older people. Trees would help this street; so would a small planted park with benches in one of the vacant lots. This group forms a terminating view up Carlton Street from Saratoga. Across the street west of Carlton is good; east of Carlton is not so good.



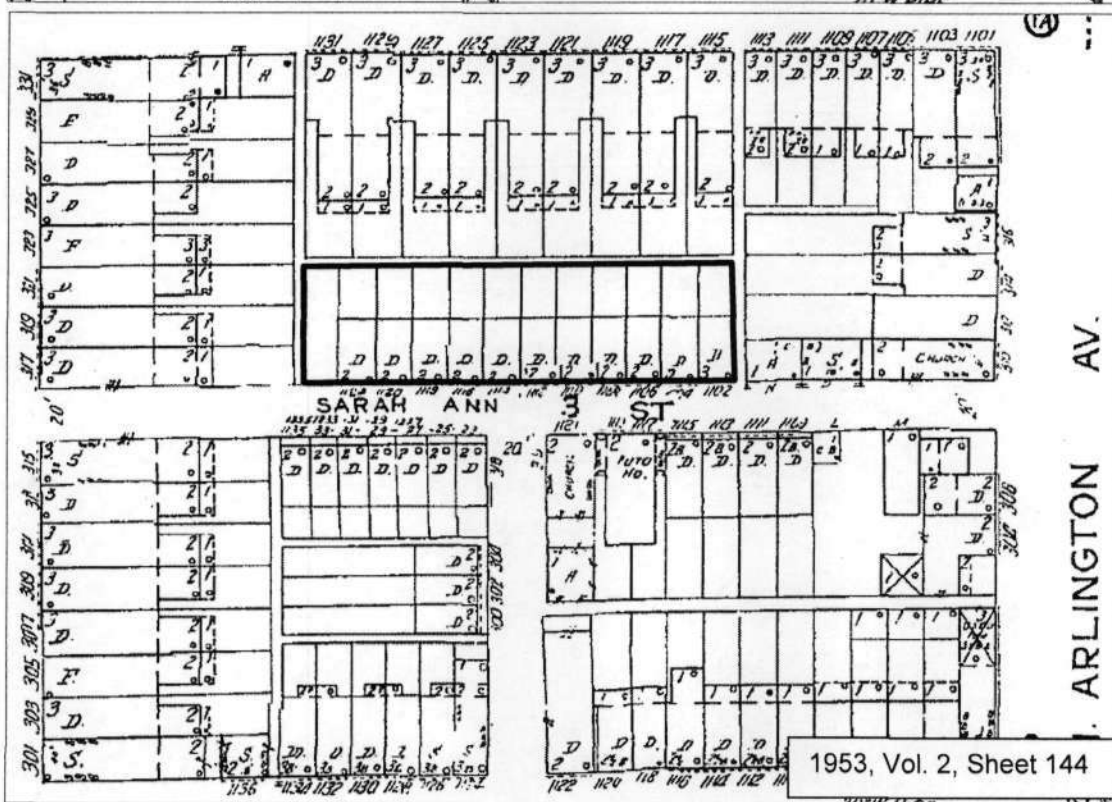
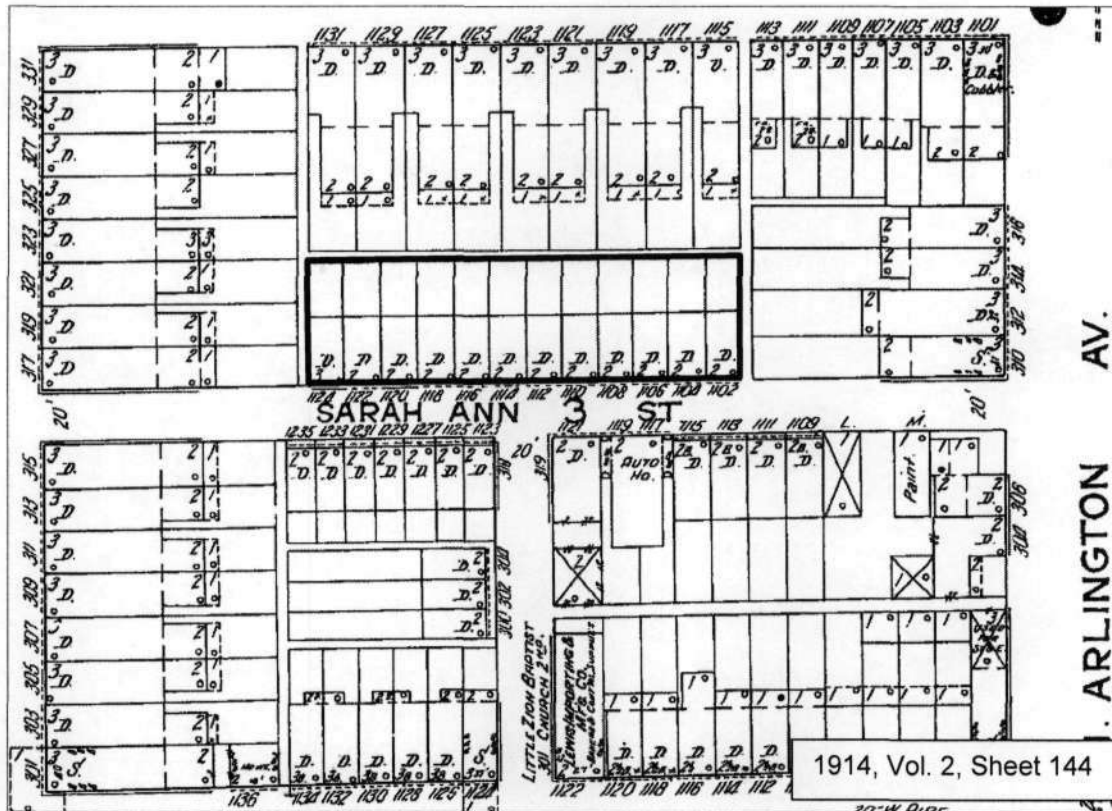
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Sarah Ann Row Houses

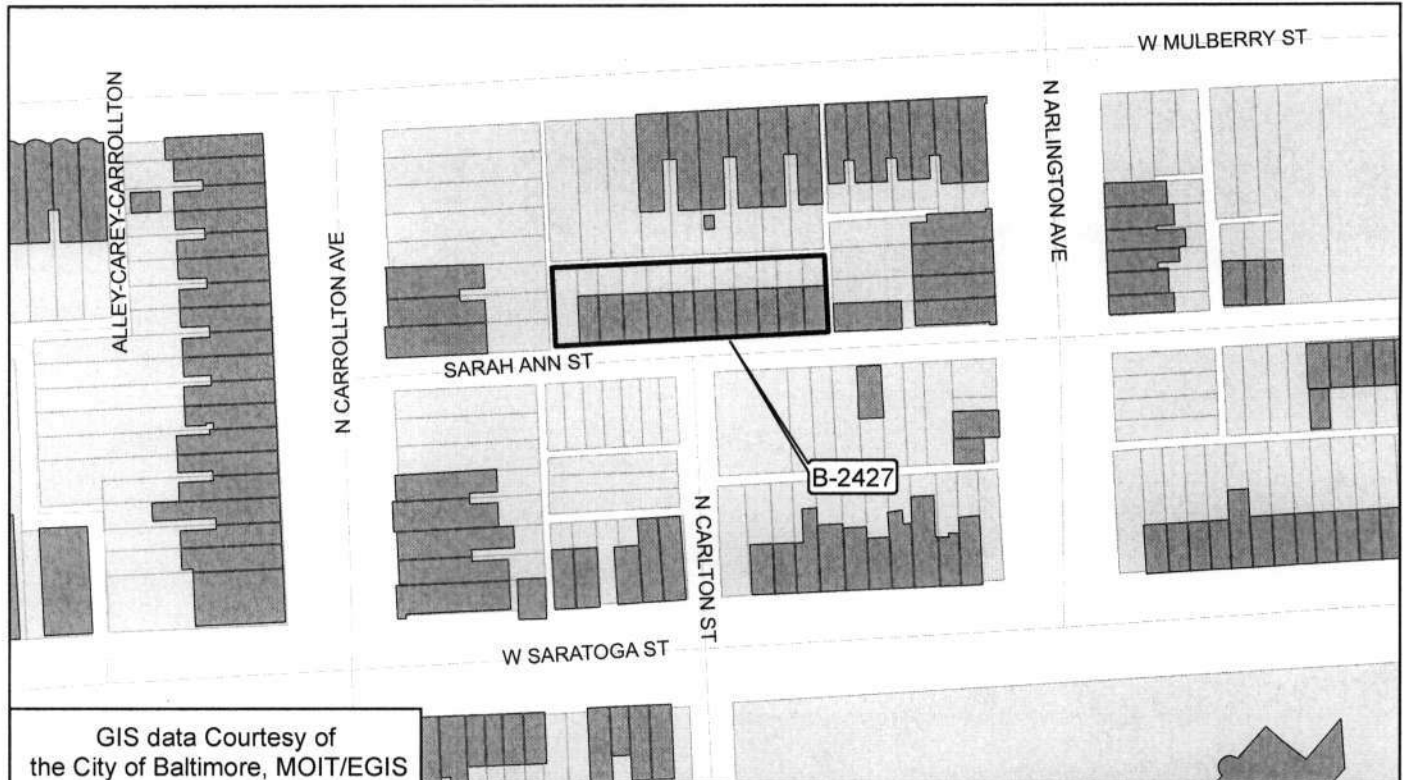
1102-1124 Sarah Ann Street (1124 Demolished by 1953)

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Sarah Ann Row Houses
1102-1124 Sarah Ann Street (1124 Demolished by 1953)
Block 0155, Lots 074-085
Baltimore City
Baltimore West Quad



GIS data Courtesy of
the City of Baltimore, MOIT/EGIS



MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM

NR Eligible: yes ☐
no ☒

Property Name: Sarah Ann Row Houses Inventory Number: B-2427

Address: 1102-1122 Sarah Ann St City: Baltimore Zip Code: 21223

County: Baltimore USGS Topographic Map: _____

Owner: HCD/ Helen Hunt Is the property being evaluated a district? X yes

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Tax Parcel Number: 0155 Tax Map Number: 76,075 Tax Account ID Number: _____

Project: Poppleton Redevelopment Agency: Baltimore Housing

Site visit by MHT Staff: ☐ no ☒ X yes Name: C. Andrew Lewis Date: _____

Is the property located within a historic district? ☐ yes ☒ X no

If the property is within a district

District Inventory Number: _____

NR-listed district ☐ yes Eligible district ☐ yes District Name: _____

Preparer's Recommendation: Contributing resource ☐ yes ☐ no Non-contributing but eligible in another context ☐

If the property is not within a district (or the property is a district)

Preparer's Recommendation: Eligible ☒ X yes ☐ no

Criteria: ☒ X A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D Considerations: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G ☐ None

Documentation on the property/district is presented in:

Description of Property and Eligibility Determination: (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)

Please see attached.

Prepared by: Justine Linnehan

Date Prepared: August 31, 2005

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST REVIEW

Eligibility recommended ☒ Eligibility not recommended ☐

Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D Considerations: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G ☐ None

Comments: _____

Andrew Lewis
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

9/27/05

Date

Justine Linnehan
Reviewer, NR Program

9/27/05

Date

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Sarah Ann Alley House Row (1102-1122 Sarah Ann Street). These houses are excellent examples of 1870s alley houses. Their design is simple: two-stories high, two-bays wide with simple wooden lintels and sills. There are no basements; the front door sits one-step from the sidewalk. The cornice, the most elaborate detailing, is all brick and designed with a dentil-tooth pattern. On top of the corbelled brick cornice is a solid parapet covered in sheet metal and painted black. Their simplicity is charming; an attribute that is set-off with the current multi-colored facades.

Originally called "Harmony Lane," this minor street had become Sarah Ann Street by 1886, the latter being the name of the same lane across Fremont Street to the east. These houses have been occupied by African Americans since the late-nineteenth-century and, possibly, since their construction in the early 1870s.

A 1987 Baltimore City Department of Housing and Community Development report stated that 6,049 alley houses existed in Baltimore. Between 1996 and 2000 the City of Baltimore had an aggressive demolition program to eliminate vacant and abandon rowhouses in Baltimore; alley houses were heavily targeted. From 1995-2000, approximately 5,800 structures were demolished. The number of alley houses in Baltimore has significantly decreased and will continue in the future. Anecdotal evidence from CHAP suggests that a large number of alley houses were demolished between 1995 and 2000. The number could be as high as 4,000; in other words, alley houses are an endangered building type. The Sarah Ann Street houses represent a rare type of alley housing, and they are fully occupied.

A structural assessment of the Sarah Ann Alley Rowhouses confirms that the existing building envelopes remain sound and the rowhouses have retained a high degree of their original architectural integrity. As such, we feel that the Sarah Ann Rowhouses are strong candidates for rehabilitation, including the preservation of the building facades.

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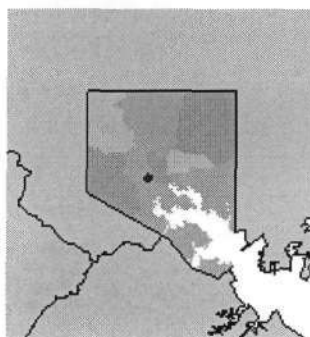
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- ☒ Rail
- ☒ Roads
- ☐ Buildings

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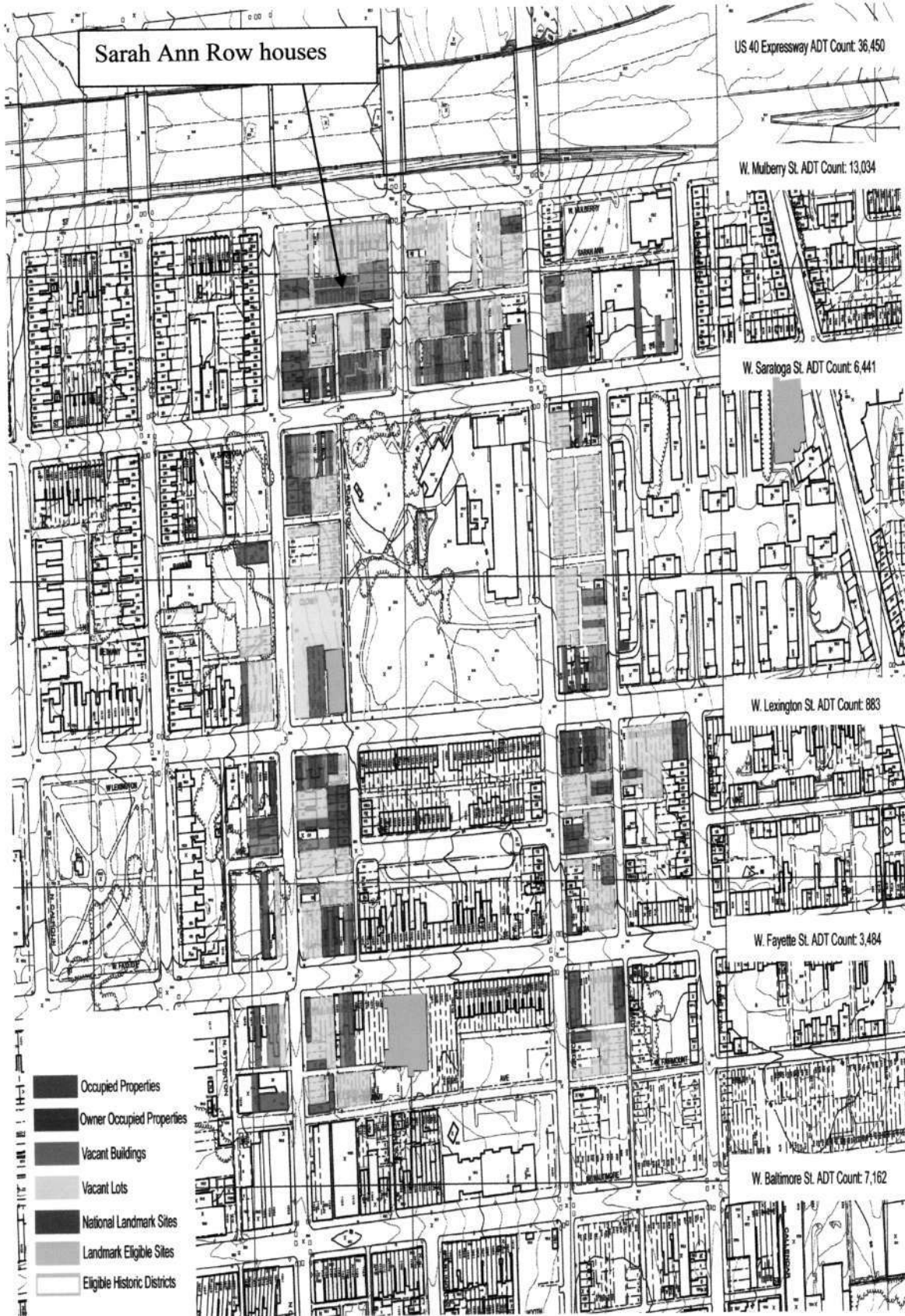
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parcels and other features. CLEAF

Address 902 W Saratoga St
Blocklot 0157 041
Council District 11
Neighborhood Poppleton
Police District Western
Recycling Zone 4
Paper - 2nd and 4th
of the month.
Bottles and cans - 2r
and 4th monday of e
month.
Trash Pickup Mon/Thu

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